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1. The following were present:

Mr. Clinton	State
Mr. Kain	State
Colonel Picknell	Army
Major Jacobson	Army
Lieut. Madden	Navy
25X1A92 Major Malone	Air Force
	CIA (Chairman)
	CIA (Vice Chairman)

2. Control for Chapter I, NIS 7

The Chairman notified the Committee that the Department of the Army requested full control for Chapter I of NIS 7 (Denmark). This Chapter will therefore be published with the usual control statement in accordance with agreement reached by the Committee (refer to NIS Committee Meeting No. 182).

3. Security Statements

The Chairman requested that hereafter a security statement be included in the notification of appointment of members or alternate members to the NIS Committee. Individuals designated to serve on the Committee should be cleared for TOP SECRET information.

4. Development of NIS 66

25X1X7 The Chairman referred to the resume of discussions regarding the development of the NIS 25X6A between the Assistant Director, ORR, and copies of which had been given to the members at the last meeting. He requested the views of 25X1X7 the agencies on the specific production questions which had been raised 25X6A

25X1X7 The Army member inquired whether or not there was any agreement 25X1X7 as to specific production requirements for the NIS 25X6A over and above the basic agreement 25X6A which called for a JANIS-type study 25X1X7 in return for similar studies on Alaska, Greenland, and Iceland. The Chairman replied that no other formal agreement had been made but, with the development of the NIS Program, it was clearly understood 25X1X7 that these studies would reflect NIS rather than JANIS requirements.

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The Committee reviewed the specific questions raised [REDACTED] and took the following action: 25X1X7□

a. Section 23 (Weather & Climate). [REDACTED] do not feel that it is worthwhile to evaluate this material in terms of air-ground operations, ground surface operations, and amphibious operations.

Action: The Air Force member will examine this question with the other Services and prepare a statement of requirements for consideration of the NIS Committee.

b. Section 24 (Topography). This Section is completed in draft but [REDACTED] does not have the capabilities to reproduce certain maps and aerial photographs.

Action: CIA is exploring the possibility of reproducing the maps and photographs [REDACTED] 25X1X7

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c. Section 25 (Urban Areas). [REDACTED] does not believe this Section is necessary since the requirements are those concerned [REDACTED] is willing to consider specific aspects of urban area analysis that the US needs badly.

Action: The Army member will examine this question with his agency and prepare a statement of requirements for consideration of the NIS Committee. 25X1X7

d. Section 33 (Inland Waterways). [REDACTED] does not believe that it is necessary to produce this section since it concerns mainly [REDACTED] the development of which is still in a state of flux.

Action: The [REDACTED] member stated there is a firm requirement for this section. [REDACTED] 25X6A

He will consult further with his agency on this question and prepare a statement of requirements for consideration of the NIS Committee. 25X1X7@

e. Section 38 (Telecommunications). [REDACTED] specifically asks if there is a real need for this section since there is full exchange of technical information [REDACTED]

Action: Army will take up this question with the Signal Corps and prepare a statement of requirements for consideration of the NIS Committee.

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f. Chapters IV (Sociological) and V (Political). [REDACTED] does not feel it would be appropriate or necessary to undertake these Chapters, except for Section 41 (Population) and Section 44 (Manpower).

Action: The State member concurred in these views.

g. Chapter VII (Scientific) [REDACTED] 25X1X7 This Chapter does not lie within the responsibilities [REDACTED] and no arrangements have been made to produce it.

Action: The Chairman will confer with the Secretary, Scientific Estimates Committee, regarding this requirement. 25X6A

h. Chapter VIII (Armed Forces). Information on [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] 25X6A Armed Forces is not an intelligence responsibility [REDACTED] and would have to be referred to the planners.

Action: The Navy member will investigate this requirement with the other Armed Force members and report his findings to the NIS Committee.

i. Chapter IX (Map and Chart Appraisal). Section 92 is completed in draft. Sections 90 and 91 should be completed in three or four months. There are approximately nineteen maps to be reproduced in this Chapter.

Action: The CIA is exploring the possibility of reproducing these maps [REDACTED] 25X1X7

j. Control [REDACTED] 25X6A for NIS 66. The question of whether or not to control the NIS [REDACTED] 25X1X7 is being studied [REDACTED] 25X1X7

Action: [REDACTED] will prepare a clear statement of its position and send it down to us for guidance. 25X1X7

k. NIS Publication and Maintenance. [REDACTED] 25X6A feels there might well be need for final publication of the NIS [REDACTED] 25X6A

[REDACTED] He also is aware of the NIS Maintenance Program and of the requirement to keep all NIS 66 elements on a maintenance basis.

Action: The NIS Committee agreed that the draft copies [REDACTED] 25X1X7 of NIS 66 meet present requirements. Any final publication of NIS 66 should await the filling of gaps and deficiencies [REDACTED] under an active maintenance program.

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The Chairman requested that contributing agencies exercise unusual care in scheduling maintenance production in view of the limited capabilities that can be assigned to this task without seriously diminishing NIS production on new areas. In this respect, the review of Section 80(M) of NIS 13-I (East Germany) disclosed no significant changes from the original Section 80 on that area. The Committee held that publication was unwarranted and the section should be retained in the files until maintenance is required. It was agreed, however, that Army should proceed with Section 81(M) on NIS 13-I and submit it to D/B for review inasmuch as there appear to be valid reasons for maintenance at this time.

6. Partial Contributions

The Chairman stated that there has been a number of cases where contributions have been received without their related graphics. He said that hereafter partial contributions of this nature will be held until receipt of all graphic material before they are listed in the production record. D/B will notify NIS Committee members whenever partial contributions are received from their agencies.

7. Production Planning Forecast

The Committee concurred in the proposal by State that the tentative Chapter I schedule for FY 1956 be approved with the exception that the date of submission to CIA of Chapter I on NIS 18 (Czechoslovakia) be changed from 31 January 1956 to 31 March 1956. The new schedule for Chapters I for FY 1956 is as follows:

<u>NIS Area</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date due in CIA</u>
NIS 35	India	1 Jul 55
26	USSR	30 Sep 55
53	Egypt	31 Oct 55
9	Spain	30 Nov 55
8	Portugal	28 Feb 56
18	Czechoslovakia	31 Mar 56
5	Belgium	30 Apr 56
28	Syria & Lebanon	31 May 56

The Vice Chairman requested the members to advise D/B of any changes in the FY 1956 Tentative Production Schedule as soon as possible. A consolidated schedule will be drawn up for use until June 1955, when defections for the year will be incorporated into a final FY 1956 Production Schedule. In June a Tentative FY 1957 Production Schedule will be prepared and, at the same time, a Production Planning Schedule for FY 1959 will be submitted by each agency for consolidation so that a three year forecast on production planning may be maintained.

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8. Change in FY '55 Production

The Committee concurred in a proposal by Navy that Section 36(M) of NIS 14 (Poland) now scheduled for December 1954 be dropped from the FY 1955 production schedule as it does not warrant maintenance at this time.

9. Miscellany

A. The State member advised that contributions to Section 64 (M) on NIS 41 (Korea) should be submitted in two parts, with State receiving only the portion on South Korea.

B. After discussion of a proposal by State for a revised contributor statement on the Key Personalities Unit, it was agreed that State would rewrite the proposal as a generalized statement to be used as appropriate with all future Key Personalities Units.

C. The State member asked about the appropriate designation for NIS 39 (China) which, for Chapters IV, V and VI, consists of NIS 39-A (Communist China), NIS 39-B (Nationalist China) and an annex to each Chapter on Hong Kong and Macao, as well as four geographic regions - Part I (Western China and Mongolia), Part II (Manchuria), Part III (North China) and Part IV (South China, including Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macao). The Vice Chairman suggested this matter be taken under consideration, together with all other segmented areas, to determine a general terminology for such situations.

D. The Army member advised that the Secretariat, State Defense Military Information Control Committee had been requested by SHAPE to authorize release to its major subordinate commands of certain NIS elements already released to SHAPE. The Army member submitted a memorandum dated 23 November 1954, subject: Release of NIS to NATO Commands, which recommends:

- 1) The release of listed elements to designated subordinate commands of SHAPE as requested by SDMICC; and
- 2) That the USNMR, SHAPE, be authorized hereafter to determine need-to-know and to release in [REDACTED] system appropriate NIS elements from among those approved for release to SHAPE to major subordinate NATO commands.

The Vice Chairman requested the members to consult with their agencies and report their findings on items 1) and 2) above at the next meeting of the NIS Committee.

E. The Army member submitted a proposal for revision of sections of Chapter IV which the Office of Psychological Warfare had drawn up, to be considered along with suggestions from USIA. The State member advised that his agency is presently undertaking two projects for psychological warfare


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purposes which would involve use of the NIS. One project involves the preparation of a country study for psychological warfare purposes directly from a complete NIS, and the other project involves the revision of the Outline Guide for Chapters IV and V within the existing NIS framework to better serve the needs of the USIA. This matter will be discussed further when State has completed the study now under way.

F. The Vice Chairman expressed his willingness to comply with a request by the Army member that a consolidated CIA grouping be shown in the listing of participating agencies' production activities in the NIS Program Progress Report supplied monthly.

G. The Chairman noted that manuscripts returned to the agencies for correction or revision have sometimes been delayed beyond a reasonable period. Hereafter, when such a contribution is still outstanding at the end of six weeks, D/B will request the member concerned to determine if it should be rescheduled. 25X1A4b



10. The next meeting of the NIS Committee will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 7 December 1954.

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